

The media is becoming a huge force in elections - no longer non-biased reporters. I believe that this is wrong. That Sinclair Broadcasting can air propaganda like "Stolen Air" right before a presidential election underscores the arrogance that a power bloc of media exhibits, flaunting its ability not to adhere to any facade of adherence to the law.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.